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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Notifying Member: <u>ECUADOR</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: <i>Servicio Ecuatoriano de Normalización, INEN (Ecuadorian Standardization Service)</i> Calle Baquerizo Moreno E8-29 y Diego de Almagro Tel.: (+593-2) 3825960/90 Website: http://www.normalizacion.gob.ec/ Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above: <i>Subsecretaría de Calidad (Under-Secretariat for Quality)</i> <i>Ministerio de Producción, Comercio Exterior, Inversiones y Pesca, MPCEIP (Ministry of Production, Foreign Trade, Investment and Fisheries)</i> Address: Av. Amazonas entre Unión Nacional de Periodistas y Alfonso Pereira, Piso 8, Bloque amarillo Tel.: (+593 2) 3948760 Ext. 2254 and 2272 Email: puntocontactoOTCECU@produccion.gob.ec puntocontactoOTCECU@gmail.com aramon@produccion.gob.ec cyepez@produccion.gob.ec jsanchez@produccion.gob.ec Website: http://www.industrias.gob.ec/
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Preparations and charges for fire-extinguishers; charged fire-extinguishing grenades (HS 3813); - Fire extinguishers, whether or not charged (HS 842410)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: <i>Proyecto de Tercera Revisión del Reglamento Técnico Ecuatoriano PRTE INEN 006 (3R) "Extintores portátiles y agentes de extinción de fuego"</i> (Draft third revision (3R) of Ecuadorian Standardization Institute Technical Regulation (PRTE INEN) No. 006 "Portable fire extinguishers and fire-fighting agents") (11 pages, in Spanish)
6.	Description of content: The notified draft Technical Regulation establishes the requirements to be met by portable fire extinguishers and fire-fighting agents, prior to the marketing of domestic and imported products, with the aim of protecting human safety and preventing misleading practices. The notified Technical Regulation applies to the following products:

1. Portable fire extinguishers with a capacity of up to 27kg, regardless of the fire-fighting agent used, the quantity of fire-fighting agent and the class of fire for which the extinguisher is intended;
2. Portable wheeled fire extinguishers with a capacity of up to 125L (33 gallons) for foam, and from 13.6kg to 158.8kg (30lb to 350lb) for other types of extinguishers, regardless of the fire-fighting agent used, the quantity of fire-fighting agent and the class of fire for which the extinguisher is intended;
3. Dry-chemical and CO₂ fire-fighting agents, water-based fire-fighting agents and clean agents.

The notified Technical Regulation does not apply to permanently-installed fire-extinguishing systems, even where parts of such systems are portable (such as hoses and nozzles attached to a fixed supply of fire-fighting agent).

- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information; labelling, prevention of misleading practices; consumer protection; protection of human health and safety.

8. Relevant documents:

Regulatory references:

1. ISO 2859-1:1999+Amd 1:2011, Sampling procedures for inspection by attributes - Part 1: Sampling schemes indexed by acceptance quality limit (AQL) for lot-by-lot inspection;
2. ISO 3941:2007, Classification of fires;
3. ISO 5923:2012, Equipment for fire protection and fire fighting - Fire extinguishing media - Carbon dioxide;
4. ISO 7165:2017, Fire fighting - Portable fire extinguishers - Performance and construction;
5. ISO 7202:2012, Fire protection - Fire extinguishing media - Powder;
6. ISO 7203-1:2011, Fire extinguishing media - Foam concentrates - Part 1: Specification for low-expansion foam concentrates for top application to water-immiscible liquids;
7. ISO 11601:2017, Fire fighting - Wheeled fire extinguishers - Performance and construction;
8. ISO 13943:2017, Fire safety - Vocabulary;
9. ISO/IEC 17025:2017, General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories;
10. ISO/IEC 17050-1:2004, Conformity assessment - Supplier's declaration of conformity - Part 1: General requirements;
11. ISO/IEC 17065:2012, Conformity assessment - Requirements for bodies certifying products, processes and services;
12. ISO/IEC 17067:2013, Conformity assessment - Fundamentals of product certification and guidelines for product certification schemes;
13. *Norma EN 3-7:2004+A1:2007, Extintores portátiles de incendios. Parte 7: Características de funcionamiento y métodos de ensayo;*
14. *Norma EN 3-8:2006, Extintores portátiles de incendios. Parte 8: Requisitos adicionales a la 15.- Norma Europea EN 3-7 para la construcción, resistencia a la presión y los ensayos mecánicos para extintores con una presión máxima admisible igual o inferior de 30 bar;*
16. *Normas EN 3-9:2006 y EN 3-9:2006/AC:2007, Extintores portátiles de incendios. Parte 9: Requisitos adicionales a la Norma Europea EN 3-7 relativos a la resistencia a la presión de los extintores de CO₂;*

<p>17. National Fire Protection Association Standard NFPA 10, 2018 Edition, Standard for Portable Fire Extinguishers;</p> <p>18. Standard for safety, American National Standards Institute (ANSI)/Underwriters Laboratories (UL) 711:2018, Rating and Fire Testing of Fire Extinguishers;</p> <p>19. Standard for safety, ANSI/UL 154:2018, Carbon-Dioxide Fire Extinguishers;</p> <p>20. Standard for safety, ANSI /UL 299:2018, Dry Chemical Fire Extinguishers;</p> <p>21. Standard for safety, ANSI/UL 626:2018, Water Fire Extinguishers;</p> <p>22. National Standard of Canada CAN/ULC-S512-M87:1987, Halogenated Agent Hand and Wheeled Fire Extinguishers;</p> <p>23. Standard for safety, ANSI/UL 2129:2017, Halocarbon Clean Agent Fire Extinguishers</p> <p>TRACEABILITY:</p> <p>1. G/TBT/N/ECU/16</p> <p>2. G/TBT/N/ECU/16/Add.1</p> <p>3. G/TBT/N/ECU/16/Add.2</p> <p>4. G/TBT/N/ECU/16/Add.3</p> <p>5. G/TBT/N/ECU/16/Add.4</p>	<p>9. Proposed date of adoption: 165 days from the date of notification</p> <p>Proposed date of entry into force: 180 days from date of adoption</p>
<p>10. Final date for comments: 60 days from the date of notification.</p>	<p>11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</p> <p>Contact and/or National Enquiry Point: <i>Subsecretaría de Calidad</i> (Under-Secretariat for Quality) <i>Ministerio de Producción, Comercio Exterior, Inversiones y Pesca</i>, MPCEIP (Ministry of Production, Foreign Trade, Investment and Fisheries) Address: Av. Amazonas entre Unión Nacional de Periodistas y Alfonso Pereira, Piso 8, Bloque amarillo Tel.: (+593 2) 3948760 Ext. 2254 and 2272 Email: puntocontactoOTCECU@produccion.gob.ec puntocontactoOTCECU@gmail.com aramon@produccion.gob.ec cyepez@produccion.gob.ec jsanchez@produccion.gob.ec http://www.normalizacion.gob.ec/ https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/TBT/ECU/19_1792_00_s.pdf</p>